

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC
PHILIPPINE ARMY SECTION

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My dear General Valdes,

APO 500
20 September 1945

The Inspector General Service, Philippine Army, has developed into a strong, loyal and efficient organization. This has been accomplished through your staunch support and cooperation in its reorganization.

It is admitted that steamroller tactics were used at times by the undersigned, but this was deemed necessary to overcome the obstacles put in the way, and to overrule objections of some people.

The present Secretary of National Defense and the Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, as well as any future change in these officers in years to come, have now at their disposal an instrumentality in the Inspector General Service which is placed at their disposal to keep them informed at all times, in an unbiased manner, of the true status, efficiency and state of training of the Philippine Army.

The personnel in the Inspector General Section, Headquarters Philippine Army, have been handpicked and indoctrinated with the importance of their position and the best traditions of the Army, in that the Inspector General Service's mission is to inquire into and report with strict impartiality and honesty on all matters which affect the efficiency and economy of the Army of the Philippines.

It is known by you that there have been objections within this Headquarters to make The Inspector General and his assistants independent of all General and Special Staff Sections, in making The Inspector General directly responsible to the Chief of Staff. It is to the Chief of Staff's advantage to retain his Inspector General as his confidential advisor in all matters affecting the efficiency and economy of the Philippine Army.

It is to the benefit of the Philippine Commonwealth, and the Philippine Army, that the present policy of the Inspector

General Service be continued for as long as there is a Philippine Army. Headquarters Philippine Army Circular No 139, 1 August 1945, should be published in the form of an Army Regulation, numbered AR 20-10. It would be wise and a guarantee to the future efficiency of the Philippine Army if, in general, "Composition, Mission and Duties" of the Inspector General Service, Philippine Army, as set forth in Circular No 139, be incorporated as law, in an amendment to the National Defense Act, Commonwealth of the Philippines.

The undersigned will be relieved very shortly from his present duties. It is with deepest regrets that my pleasant relations with you and the Philippine Army are being severed.

In closing I would like to stress that whatever action I have taken has been, in all sincerity, for the general good of the Philippine Army and the Philippine Commonwealth, as there have been no personal gains except the self satisfaction of having accomplished my mission to the best of my ability.

With fondest affections to a close friend and gentleman,
I remain

Very truly yours,

Heretel L. Pariseau
HERTEL L. PARISEAU,
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